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**AMENDMENT A**

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS,

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In response to the Office action mailed June 15, 2004, please consider the following  
amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this  
paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 14 of this paper.